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We, the Deanery of.............................................. in the Diocese of ................................................

have embraced the principles of the Sustainable Church Flowers movement which encourages a living into the Fifth Mark of Mission by promoting the use of local, seasonal and fully biodegradable/compostable flowers and foliage without floral foam\*. We commend to the Oxford Diocesan Synod that it:

1.) encourages a sustainable approach to church flowers across the diocese, and

2.) bans the use of floral foam in all churches and churchyards across the diocese.

*\*Floral foam (trade name Oasis) is a micro plastic held together by formaldehyde, carbon black, proprietary acid catalysts, proprietary sulfactant and barium sulphate.*